

Summer Rising 2024

Family Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. I have completed my supplemental form, where and to whom do I send it? The Community Based Organization will contact families on how to submit the Supplemental form to them. You may also send your supplemental form to the "Summer Rising Program Name and Contact" on your offer letter.
- 2. I would like to accept my offer; I cannot locate on MySchools how to do so? If you submitted your child's application online, please follow these steps to view and accept or decline your child's offer on MySchools:
 - a. Log in to <u>MySchools.nyc</u> and click on "View Results and Waitlists" next to the "Summer Rising" application.
 - b. Review your child's information. Click "Looks Good" to move on.
 - c. Review your child's offer. Scroll down and click "View Waitlists."
 - d. Under "Pending Offers," choose to accept or decline your child's offer. If applicable, answer any required questions, and submit. Your child's offer will not be accepted unless you answer all required questions.

3. How do I change the location of my Summer Rising seat?

If you are interested in your child attending another program the only options are to add them to additional waitlists. Please follow these steps to add your child to a waitlist on MySchools:

- a. Click on the button under your child's name that says "View Results & Waitlists"
- b. On the top left corner of the screen, click "Search". This takes you to a map, where you can search for and favorite programs.
- c. Next, click on the button that says "Waitlists" at the top of the screen.
- d. On the right side of the "Waitlist" tab you will see all the programs you favorited.
- e. Click on the + icon next to the program's name to add the child to the waitlist.
- f. If applicable, answer all the additional questions. You can do so by clicking on the prompt below the program.

Once this has been completed, your child has been added to the waitlist. Programs will manage their waitlists through the end of the program. If any of them are able to offer your child a seat, they will contact you directly.

4. Why didn't I get a seat and what are the priorities?

Any student attending school in New York City, who is currently in kindergarten through eighth grade (in the 2023-2024 school year) is eligible for Summer Rising. Similar to last year, placements will be assigned with a focus on equity, including prioritizing students with academic needs, students in temporary housing and foster care, 12-month Individualized Education Program (IEP) programs (Chapter 683, Extended School Year,

and Autism Nest or Horizon), and with a local connection to a school-year CBO program or school community.

5. How do I sign up for busing?

There is no mechanism for families to sign up for transportation. Eligibility is determined based on students IEP as well as grade and distance. You may check your eligibility <u>here</u>, or speak to the school transportation coordinator for individual questions.

6. Only one of my children received a seat, how do I obtain a seat at the same location as the other?

You can add your child(ren) to waitlists of programs. Please follow these steps in order to add your child to a waitlist on MySchools:

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7. We have a vacation schedule; can my child only attend for a few weeks?

Summer Rising is a 6–7-week program (6 weeks for middle school and 7 weeks for elementary school) and we strongly encourage full participation for the duration of the program. We understand families take vacation or have emergencies. If so, please speak with your Summer Rising Program Director.

8. I missed the application period; can I still apply?

Although the application period is closed, you add your child to your preferred waitlists. To get your child's account set up, please create a MySchools account by registering at MySchools.nyc. Then, you need to add your child to your dashboard. You can do this by following the instructions on your Summer Rising Welcome Letter. Either your school can provide that to you, or you email summer@schools.nyc.gov a copy of your photo ID (NYC ID, NYS License/ID, Passport etc.) so that we can verify your guardian status and provide you with the letter. Please also confirm your child's name, date of birth, and student ID (if available).

9. Why does my waitlist number keep increasing, shouldn't it decrease?

A student's number on the waitlist is subject to change - it can be impacted by a program making waitlist offers to students, and by updating other applicants' priority groups which can move them into a higher group than your child's. Therefore, your child's position on the waitlist can increase or decrease.

Programs use their waitlists to fill any seats that may become available. If a seat opens up, the programs will contact you directly.

10. I received an offer but prefer my waitlist option.

Accepting or declining your Summer Rising offer does not impact your ability to receive a waitlist offer later this spring or summer. With this in mind, we encourage you to accept your initial offer, as waitlist offers are not guaranteed.

Please note you can only have one accepted offer at a time. This means that accepting a waitlist offer will decline any offer that was previously accepted.